

1864  
St. Lawrence Island March 28<sup>th</sup>

Easter Monday Began to Tap Taped about 60 trees  
some more to Tap took home 11 pails but our Pots w too  
small for Boiling it ice opening very slow to Day shot a  
Squirrel caught an eel 28<sup>th</sup> Easter Tuesday Gathering  
and Boiling in the house which is a very slow way made  
2 1/2 gallons of Mollasses 30<sup>th</sup> a change in the Moon took home 5  
pails not running very well that is about 4.0 pail now if  
it was attended to there would be a good lot of sugar  
made ice only open to Francis Island on our road crossing  
opens Better on the South Side went to head of the Island  
My canoe is there but full of Ice took some out of it took home  
a load of Wood cutting the ice at the shore for fear the cattle  
will get in for they must go out to the far of water hole  
hailing and raining some East wind high this 3 Days now  
31<sup>st</sup> Last Day of the Month in the Bush keeping the cows in  
and that is not an easy job <sup>10 lb sugar</sup> <sup>some</sup> hens not laying yet  
April the 1<sup>st</sup> East Wind not running very well in the Bush  
about 60 Pails now went to the canoe at the head of the  
Island seen a Rat cleaned out the red canoe 2<sup>nd</sup> Sugar and  
took home 5 pails I think it will make vinegar the  
Cows went to the Bush Ducks not plenty 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Sunday Ice opening between this & Charles in the evening  
4<sup>th</sup> Gathering 20 pails Sugar and 8 lb Made 1 1/2 pails of  
Sap Worked out of 5 pails pulling home of the Wood 5<sup>th</sup>  
Drawing Fence Nails Drawing Stones Got 15 pails of Sap to Day took  
home a load of Chicks First Laying of Hens ice going down  
Cows going to the Bush Bad with the Rheumatism  
6<sup>th</sup> 1 1/2 lb in Big cattle 1 lb in the little one shot a Rat Brought  
my canoe from the head of Island Dutcher Passed here firing  
the Cannon for Nic Farlinger Mobins came gathered 9 pails  
to Day for 7 pails of Sap killed a snake cleaning around the  
table <sup>some</sup> fixing the Kops taking home chips

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Sap near gone got 1 Pail took home chips  
Sugar and of 12 in one & in another Frogs commenced  
5<sup>th</sup> Made Mollasses 1 1/2 gal put out the Mains seen a Boat  
crossing to Salmon River Towing a canoe after it Making a Door  
for up stairs wind high east wind all the time this while now  
Setting fires in the front Marsh ice in it yet set the fires  
on the ice ~~2 year~~ 2 year to Day since we were married  
Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup> Morning hard went for the Cows to  
the Bush found the Hens hole in a Big Elm  
Bully killed one of the young ones took 1 home  
it is Sunday I leave it alone to Day Morning  
hailing and sunshine 11<sup>th</sup> went to see if the Fox could  
be found killed her in the Log got 4 young  
ones more that is 6 she had skinned the Fox  
their eyes is not open yet but they take milk  
east wind yet ice going down Cows came 12<sup>th</sup>  
2 of the Washers here have them my canoe wind high  
13<sup>th</sup> Tapt 6 more trees Snowing & Raining 14<sup>th</sup> came with  
the Canoe gave them a Desk to Bail their Pont  
Putting out Manure Drawing Stones cleaning around the Door  
took home 6 pails Snow & Sap Swallows came Bakers  
Drove in to Salmon River Lashy here have him a  
Bunch of matches took his spear & stick to make his Paddle  
15 Fixed the Hinges on the Door & Chest set 8 Traps Lashy  
took his Gun & traps away have him a pound of shot & caps  
he has got my horn and a piece of Trap chain Indians coming  
Down for the first spearing of eels 16<sup>th</sup> Drawing stones  
putting them at the Bank before the Door at the River Drew some  
Barnwood Logs to the Bank shot a Rat got him in the Morning 17<sup>th</sup> got  
3 Rats Snowing a good lot Frost twice 18<sup>th</sup> Bur Duncan  
Birth Day First eating of Eggs very well take lime water and  
milk Dropping out the Bottom of the Canoe began the  
ripper Fuld very unwell Tom Scuttons here crippled with  
an Irishman